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SUBJECT: TREASON TRIAL; PROSECUTION RESTS

REF: FREETOWN 1967

1. PROSECUTION IN TREASON TRIAL COMPLETED PRE-SENTATION OF EVIDENCE AND RESTED CASE DURING SESSION SATURDAY OCTOBER 5. DEFENSE ATTORNEYS, AFTER HAVING MOTION FOR RECESS OVER WEEKEND DENIED, BEGAN ARGUING MOTIONS TO HAVE CASE DISMISSED ON GROUNDS CHARGES NOT PROVEN. ARGUMENTS ON MOTIONS CONTINUING, BUT IT VIRTUALLY FOREGONE CONCLUSION THEY WILL BE DENIED. NO INDICATION YET HOW DEFENSE ATTORNEYS PLAN UNDERTAKE THEIR UNENVIABLE TASK.

2. PUBLIC INTEREST IN CASE APPEARS REMAIN HIGH. GENERAL EXPECTATION APPEARS TO BE THAT MOST IF NOT ALL DEFENDANTS WILL BE FOUND GUILTY AND THAT AT LEAST SOME DEATH SENTENCES WILL BE HANDED DOWN AND SUBSEQUENTLY CARRIED OUT.

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